

# \$750,000 Factory Coming To NE Area

**Anodyne  
To Create  
150 Jobs**

By LARRY BIRGER  
Industry Editor of The Miami News

Miami, pressing hard for more industry to augment its tourist economy, is getting a \$750,000 multi-color anodizing and etching manufacturing plant.

Eugene T. Turney Jr., New York board chairman and president of Anodyne Inc., announced today he will put up the 20,000-square foot plant at 1400 NE 123rd St.

Turney said plant construction and equipment contracts already have been signed. Occupancy date is scheduled for June.

Approximately 150 will be employed when the plant is in full operation, about half of them handicapped persons who can do the type of manufacturing at Anodyne.



Turney also is president of North Shore Nameplate, a division of Anodyne Inc.

## WARES SOLD WIDELY

The firm manufactures anodized etched foil name plates currently used by 500 U. S. manufacturers on their wares as well as a complete line of cloth markers and safety signs.

When in full operation, Anodyne will be the parent company with North Shore Nameplate as one of its divisions.

Turney, who calls Anodyne's establishment program "Operation Palm Tree" because of its Miami location, first began surveying the area about three years ago.

Working closely with the Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce and the Dade Development Commission, he agreed to move to the area and set up a plant.

## LABOR OUTLOOK GOOD

Turney said his surveys showed "the excellent climate here assures a sufficient labor pool with a higher rate of productivity and less turnover than found elsewhere in the U. S."

## DEAL WITH GE

Anodyne, in manufacturing the cloth markers, recently concluded an agreement with General Electric Supply Co. to distribute the product in the U. S. and abroad.

Turney, who graduated from Ida Fischer High School on Miami Beach in 1928, is a member of the board of Abilities, Inc., a multi-million dollar business employing more than 400 handicapped people.

Last week, he was named to the board of the Board of Miami.

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D. ANODYNE INC.  
\$1 Million Deal

# Reynolds Tobacco Is Buying Anodyne

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By DON REDWELL  
Journal Business Writer

R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., a diversifying corporate giant, has entered into negotiations with Anodyne Inc. of North Miami Beach to buy the company for \$4,170,000 cash.

Eugene T. Turney Jr., chairman of the board and president of Anodyne, and Bowman Gray, chairman of the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. board, announced the negotiations Thursday.

The purchase is subject to approval by directors of both companies and must be approved by Anodyne stockholders.

Acquisition of Anodyne, a fabricator of multi-colored aluminum foil nameplates, emblems, decorative trim and panels, would be handled through a Reynolds subsidiary.

One division of the Winston-Salem firm already is active in the aluminum foil products field — Archer Aluminum Division, a producer of packaging materials.

If Anodyne is acquired by a Reynolds subsidiary, Turney is to remain as chief executive officer and others of the present 150-employee operation "will continue with the subsidiary," the announcement said.

Both Anodyne's business and its assets would be included in the suggested purchase price.

Anodyne was a pioneer in the Sunshine State Industrial Park, starting in 1960 in the limited field of personal aluminum nameplates then expanding rapidly into related areas until, for the year ended Oct. 31, the company reported sales amounting to \$1,499,100.

Earnings during that year were only \$74,074, against \$201,560 in 1964, but Turney described it as a year of digging-in to prepare for later growth.



Eugene Turney  
Anodyne president

The fruits of that planning were indicated in February, when Anodyne reported substantial boosts in profits and sales for the first quarter of 1966 — including a 90 per cent increase in profits: \$55,000, or 8 cents a share, against \$29,000 or four cents in the same quarter of 1964.

Anodyne has concentrated on nameplates and trim for automobiles, appliances, of-

rice equipment and similar lines.

The Reynolds tobacco firm, listed on the New York Stock Exchange, proved last year that it was diversification-minded.

In June it purchased Penick & Ford Ltd., a Delaware Corporation, to supplement its previous food subsidiary, Pacific Hawaiian Products Co.

Penick & Ford produces the My-T-Fine, Vermont Maid, College Inn and Brer Rabbit lines; Pacific Hawaiian Products sells Hawaiian Punch. The Archer Plutonium Division creates packaging for the company's tobacco products, and also sells to outside customers.

Reynolds reported net earnings of \$133 million last year, against \$124 million the previous year. Its stock closed at 40 1/4 Thursday, up 1/4.





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## ACK BERTS

### 'Genius' Son

Eugene T. Turney Jr. was when he started hanging around his inventor father's laboratory in Pawling. He could run a drill and lathe at eight and made a radio transmitter when he was 11.

Elder Turney was an inventive genius second only to Edison in patents when he died at 93 in 1959. "But never made any money," recalls the son. "He'd put a camera and sell it for \$1,000. The manufacturer would make millions." Turney Senior's inventions included milling machines, radios — even an automatic transmission for a car.

Young Turney was a rest-boy. He had to make a deal with the principal of Miami Beach's old Ida Fish-High School just so he'd graduate. He built the school a radio transmitter learned to play the oboe a hole could be filled in school band. That was deal.

Back in Pawling, N.Y., young Turney opened a sign painter's shop. Then he moved on to a series of jobs which included selling radio transformers and representing the manufacturers of precision instruments.

Eventually he became the eastern sales representative for a company manufacturing metal nameplates, but the firm fired him when his commissions soared past the annual earnings of the company president. So Turney went into business for himself making nameplates out of a Glen Cove, L.I., workshop in 1950.

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# Anodyne Expanding Plant

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Anodyne Inc., which manufactures anodized, multi-colored name plates for the world's largest corporations, has undertaken a sizable modernization and expansion project which will open up new applications for decorative aluminum in the automotive, packaging, appliance, building, household and consumer durables fields.

President Eugene T. Turney said a new, low-cost continuous coil anodizing line and the first radio-controlled batch line for cold-anodizing sheet will be housed in a 50,000-square-foot addition to Anodyne's present plant. Both the continuous anodizing and the batch lines will

utilize Anodyne's new marbelizing process, called "Anox."

"With our modern new equipment and the ability to anodize aluminum coils and sheet in any given color or colors, Anodyne will be able to produce anodized color-fast exterior aluminum at a much lower cost than with any other process," Turney said.

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Anodyne, which now uses a 50,000-square-foot plant to batch-dip its name plates and corporate identification symbols, has been licensed by Reynolds Metals Company to operate its continuous coil anodizing line, which, Turney said, is more economical to operate than any other.

"With our Anox process, we will be able to produce marbelized aluminum for many new automotive uses such as non-specular panels, exterior and interior trim and name plates. In addition,

exterior and interior wall applications for trailers, campers, ships, buses, trains and aircraft are a very real possibility."

He cited the home furnishing market as being a lucrative one for the Anox process.

"A full spectrum of colors is possible through this electrochemical process which imparts an anodized marble-like finish to the aluminum. It is ideal for decorative furniture and table-tops, even cosmetic and cigarette cases, aerosol cans and bottles," Turney said.

In the building field, laminated Anox-produced finishes can be used for ceiling, wall tile, office and room dividers, awnings and house numbers, according to Anodyne's chief officer.

The radio-controlled batch line is being installed now with the continuous coil coating line being on stream by mid-December, Turney said.

## D. ANODYNE INC. Anodyne Reports Gain In Sales and Profits

FEB 20 1966

Anodyne Inc. of Miami finished its first quarter of fiscal 1966 with substantial gains in sales, profits and net worth, Board Chairman and President Eugene T. Turney Jr. reported to stockholders.

A 25 per cent increase in sales — \$447,000 against \$356,000 for the same quarter of 1965 — reaped a 90 per cent gain in pre-tax profits.

Net income for the quarter, before taxes, was \$56,000, or 18 cents a share, compared to last year's quarterly profits of 11 cents a share.

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## D. ANODYNE, FIRM HERE REBOUNDS

## Anodyne Profits Zoom

JAN 4 1967  
BY LARRY BINGER  
Business Editor of The Miami News

Fiscal 1966 proved to be the year of the rebound for Anodyne Inc., Miami's nationally-known manufacturer of millions of brightly-colored anodized aluminum nameplates.

The North Dade firm, whose "ballmarks" were just about every car built in Detroit, today reported after-tax profits of \$171,982, or 24 cents a share, a comeback of 130 per cent from the previous year's 90-cent profit of \$74,074 or 10 cents a share.

What's more, said Eugene T. Turney Jr., president and board chairman, accounts payable when the fiscal year ended Oct. 31 stood at "a fat, healthy zero dollars."

Anodyne's revenues touched \$1,384,801, a gain of more than 25 per cent from the previous year's \$1,499,100 and a new yearly high for the company.

Anodyne's profits of \$201,000 or 33 cents a share in fiscal 1964 were higher, but the firm had a tax-loss car-



EUGENE T. TURNEY

ry-forward in that 12-month period.

Turney, looking ahead to the new year, said he saw no reason why the increases in sales and profits should not be continued, despite reports of a slowdown in the economy.

"Business at the start of the new year was better than a year earlier and, being conservative, I'd say our growth pattern ought to be at least equal to last year," Turney said.

first quarter appears excellent."

Turney credited the wholesale rebound to culmination of a five-year plan begun in 1961 to attain a goal of mass production geared to his customer's growing needs.

"We have broadened our manufacturing base so that today we can easily handle orders for 10 million pieces, whereas in our earlier period we couldn't take one for 100,000 units."

Turney said even though a planned expansion of 50,000 square feet was put off because of the tight money market, a streamlining of plant operations now makes it possible for Anodyne to do a volume of \$4 million annually.

Anodyne nameplates now adorn, in addition to Ford, GM and Chrysler cars, appliances, radios and TV sets, electronic equipment, cameras, hardware, furniture, more and countless other items in its home office and



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Turney had been working with one-color anodizing in New York. When he decided to move his Anodyne Inc., to Miami in 1960, he began working with multi-colors. His New York business was grossing \$200,000 a year in 1960. Last year the Miami firm did \$1,500,000 gross while becoming a major supplier of aluminum nameplates for autos, radio dial face plates, auto dashboards, doorknobs and cosmetic bottles.

### Many Successes

Turney's business success has been second to the fame he has gained nationwide as an employer of handicapped persons. Of his 160 employees, 60 per cent are handicapped. "I hire the handicapped because they produce more and because they're loyal to the company," explains Turney.

At 57, Turney works 12 hours a day, escaping on weekends to pursue trophy fishing in the keys. Two of his seven children have entered the business.

Twice married, Turney is the kind of fellow who has the guts to wear pink shirts trimmed in lace. His wife makes the shirts. "Color means everything to me," said Turney. "explaining the pink drill presses, purple stamping machine and yellow band saws in his plant. Did you know that soft green soothes people; pink gives a woman warmth and red makes people mad?"

I didn't, but I was impressed with Turney the inventor, Turney the employer of the handicapped and Turney the developer of a new, intriguing industry for Miami.



## Bond Sale

### Planned By

### Anodyne Inc.

Anodyne Inc., a manufacturer of anodized aluminum nameplates, has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission to market \$4½ million in convertible subordinated bonds.

The registration will be through John Niven & Co., which will receive a 3 per cent commission.

The funds will be used to exercise an option to purchase the plant and land on which it is located; acquire land for the construction of additional facilities; buy and install new equipment; and add working capital.

Eugene T. Turney Jr., president of the Miami-based firm, is selling 20.48 per cent of the stock.

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## Bonds Called By Anodyne

Anodyne Inc. of North Miami Beach called for the redemption of all its outstanding \$4½ million convertible subordinated bonds on March 1, 1963.

President Eugene G. Turney Jr. said the bonds had been called because less than \$760,000 principal amount was outstanding.

Others had been converted previously.

March 1 was set as the redemption date, with 28 the last day for conversion of the debentures. The redemption price, said Turney, is 105 per cent.

## Anodyne Sales and Net Decline

ANODYNE INC., North Miami Beach, reported a decline in sales and earnings for the fiscal year ended Oct. 31. Sales for the period were \$2,033,732, compared with \$2,131,122 last year. Net loss was \$44,084, or five cents per share on 1,111,000 shares, compared with earnings of \$149,933, or one cent per share on 851,555 shares in fiscal 1966. Eugene T. Turney Jr., president, said sales and earnings were adversely affected by national economic downturns, but recent expansions in facilities will now enable Anodyne to enter new markets for decorative aluminum in automotive, packaging, appliance, architectural and consumer durable fields.

## Inventor Heritage Sparks Anodyne Inc.

Eugene Turney develops new processes, creates jobs for handicapped to succeed in 'nearly impossible' process

A businessman with a flair for invention has made Anodyne Inc. of North Miami Beach into one of the largest nameplate manufacturers in the nation.

He is Eugene T. Turney Jr., son of one of America's most prolific inventors. In the short space of seven years since he opened his plant with one assistant and a dozen employees in the Sunshine State Industrial Park he has seen sales grow from less than \$400,000 to \$2,369,769 annually. Sales for fiscal 1968 should exceed that figure, which was recorded at the end of fiscal 1967, by at least 25 per cent.

To keep up with the demand, Turney just built a 50,000 square foot addition, doubling the size of the plant. When the plant is in full production by the end of 1968, Anodyne will employ well over 300, double its pre-addition staff. Payroll will be in excess of \$1.6 million.

Turney not only designed the building, but knows the electrical output and all the technical details of the equipment. As he has done for years, Turney constantly is modifying his machinery and seeking even better ways to do the job.

**Many Products.** The word "nameplate" far from describes the variety and scope of the Anodyne operation. The nameplates range from LDs for seat belts to the identifying mark found on the inside of a refrigerator or television.

They are made by an electro-chemical process called anodizing, graphically incorporating multi-color dyes in sections of various gauges of aluminum to produce a permanent message, trademark or image. The process results in products which have minimum fading and corrosion characteristics.

Anodyne's clients include such industrial giants as General Motors, Ford, Sears, American Motors, Philco and many more.

They have turned to Turney because of his almost fanatical demand for perfection. "When I say I produce quality work, I mean it, and I defy anyone to beat me," said Anodyne's president and board chairman. "If by some chance they manage to do so, it won't be for long. I love challenges and I go all out to make sure I produce the finest workmanship in the industry."

**Uses Handicapped.** The company is one of the state's most progressive in hiring the handicapped. Over 30 per cent of the staff has a handicap of one degree or another.

Turney, who calls them "my industrial diamonds," has been active in convincing other companies to follow suit.

"The handicapped make better



Turney... seeks new ways.

workers," he said. "In fact, our studies show they are 21 per cent more efficient than a non-handicapped worker in a similar job. There's practically never a problem with absenteeism, lateness, alcoholism or other problems. Similarly, there is a much lower turnover ratio. The physically handicapped have had to put discipline in their lives, and they like to work."

Unlike many busy executives, Turney is available. The switchboard operator funnels calls to him directly without asking who's calling. "If someone wants to talk to me, there must be a reason," he said. He opens his own mail. Nevertheless, he keeps two secretaries hopping.

**Wall St. Alumnus.** It's a far cry from the time Turney was operating the round-lot "sell" wire at the New York Stock Exchange. But even those days were memorable. Turney was at his station on "Black Tuesday," October 29, 1929, the day of the "crash."

"It was wild, simply wild," he said. "Pandemonium reigned. People seemed devoid of their senses. It slowly dawned on me as the volume mounted that the day meant something ominous. As a young man I couldn't exactly pinpoint it, but the following day I had a better understanding. The company that employed me didn't open."

Turney then left Wall Street and opened a sign shop in Danbury, Conn. Turney would letter anything—a dollar was hard to come by in those days.

Then Turney began selling nameplates on a commission basis for Metal-Cal, a Seattle, Wash., manufacturing concern. He made such a success that his income was greater than the president's. Because of that, the axe fell.

When that happened, he decided he would begin manufacturing them—and better than anyone else, in Glen Cove, Long Island, New York.

It was tough, because anodizing foil only .003 inch thick is close to impossible. Second, available machinery could not print the foil even if he did succeed in anodizing it. Third, Turney demanded a degree of accuracy which experts said could not be obtained. And fourth, he had no experience in the manufacturing end of the business.

**Famous Father.** Tough obstacles indeed, but not insurmountable. Turney knew the impossible could be done, because he had seen his father do it many times.

Eugene T. Turney Sr. was second only to Thomas Edison in the number of American patents he held. They included non-magnetic watches, automatic player piano, adjustable snare drums, automatic transmission for automobiles, acetylene gas, automatic braiding and milling machines, block signals for railroads, daylight loading for cameras, the first speedometer, optical measuring instruments for photographic light meters and the phonograph sound box. He died in 1959, aged 93.

**Learns Press Work.** To improve on the engraver's camera, one of the

### ANODYNE INC.

Traded over the counter.  
Recent price: 11½¢.  
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Earnings per share, 1966: 21 cents.





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most important pieces of equipment in manufacturing nameplates, Turney studied optics. The offset press Turney bought was designed to print on paper, not metal foil. As a result, Turney studied printing and the inner workings of presses and came up with the needed accuracy.

Turney's study of adhesives led to the development of a spray-on adhesive (packed in an aerosol bomb for easy application) that holds a nameplate to a crackle finish.

As business began to expand, Turney cast envious eyes on Miami. Visiting there over the years gave him a bad case of sand in his shoes. Aside from being able to fish year 'round, Turney found he could not only meet his clients more frequently (they fled northern winters) but was in a perfect position to expand his business much faster.

**Looks Ahead.** Because of this intensive drive, Turney developed a revolutionary new method of producing small quantities of nameplates. Through a fully automated data processing system, Anodyne guarantees five-day airmail service instead of the normal six to eight weeks lead time standard in the \$100 million industry today.

Along with the 50 per cent reduction in the consumer's cost, the system eliminates time-consuming paperwork, photostats, typesetting, purchase orders, art, negative and plate charges.

The Five and Ten Division was named because customers may order nameplates in five thicknesses ranging from .003 to .062 and from ten sizes (half-inch by one inch to seven by seven inches).

Available in a choice of two finishes and three adhesive types, the nameplates eliminate the need for inventories.

What's next? "Who knows," says Turney, "the industry has limitless possibilities." ♦

#### Canadian Industrialist Heads Plant Industries

Hyman Katz, president and chief executive officer of National Containers Ltd., Montreal, was named president of Plant Industries Inc., of Plant City, a producer of instant fruit juices in crystal form. He replaces Hugh Tait.

The management change follows a previously announced sale by Salada Foods Ltd. of 896,736 shares of Plant Industries common stock — equal to about a 70 per cent interest — to a group headed by Bregman & Co., New York brokers. ♦

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Anofilm impressed Eugene Turney Jr.

## New aluminum film may develop profit

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By ALAN GERSTEN  
Miami News Business Writer

In one corner of the huge building, workmen are methodically punching out tiny nameplates. In another, a technician is carefully developing 20 aluminum foil prints of a driver's license.

One man symbolizes the past and the other the future for Anodyne Inc. of Miami.

President Eugene Turney Jr. is hopeful that the future will mean a return to financial health for Anodyne.

Until the last two years, Anodyne was buoyed by lucrative contracts from the large automakers to produce small insignias. The firm made \$201,660 in fiscal 1964 and \$74,074 the following year.

Then the 1970 recession and General Motors strike forced the firm to look for new products.

Turney is just starting to launch into a full-scale commercial marketing effort for his latest invention, Anofilm.

It can be used to make credit cards, license plates or driver's license, television dials, clock faces, dials for medical instruments, and in many other ways.

To Turney and his company the firm represents five years of testing, retesting and just plain fidgeting.

the next logical step, Turney explained.

The Anofilm process starts when 5,000-pound coils, containing 120,000 square feet of aluminum, are delivered from the mill. They are unrolled, treated with a film emulsion and then put through a coloring bath.

Then the metal is cut into 10 by 14 and 12 by 24-inch strips. These have a negative placed over them and the film is exposed to normal photographic light. Anofilm is then developed like any other film. One of 20 pictures can be produced on each strip, depending on the user's needs and the negative size.

Anofilm's largest advantage is that a business can produce, quickly and in quantity, any type of image on an aluminum surface.

That's a much tougher surface than ordinary film and the process is far more economical than laboriously hand-punching individual plates.

Anofilm can be used for all types of licenses, cards and dials because of its durability. Anodyne can make the plates or will sell the film and let the customer make his own.

Turney's also going a step further by developing two-color capability and putting a variety of finishes on anofilm. By the time our competitors have gotten to the

## Anodyne Files for Bond Sale

APR 27 1968

Anodyne Inc. of North Miami Beach is seeking to register a \$4.5 million bond issue, for sale to the public to finance an expansion program.

The public offering of convertible subordinated debentures is to be made through John Nuveen and Co., according to a registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Nuveen firm would receive a 3 per cent commission.

Anodyne makes anodized aluminum emblems, decorative trim and nameplates. The company said \$766,800 of the proceeds of the bond sale would be used to buy the plant and land it now occupies, \$220,000 to acquire land for building new facilities, \$700,000 to construct the facilities and \$2.3 million for equipment.

The balance of the funds would go for working capital.

Eugene T. Turney, president and board chairman, owns 20.5 per cent of the 1,009,909 common shares outstanding.

Anodyne has an option to buy the land on which its plant is located and also to purchase the plant itself.

## Briefly

North Miami Phoenix:

Anodyne plan confirmed  
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"Out of the ashes will rise the great Phoenix," former Gov. Claude Kirk predicted today. The flamboyant predecessor of Reuben Askew was forecasting for troubled Anodyne Inc., the North Miami nameplate manufacturer just today removed from bankruptcy protection. Kirk put up

\$220,000 last week to take over as majority stockholder. Today, U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Paul Hyman approved a reorganization that will apply the capital to the company's unsecured debt, 20 cents on the dollar.



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FEB 19 1970

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Eugene T. Turney Jr., president and chairman, said that while this year's sales and earnings were adversely affected by national economic downturns, particularly in the automotive industry, the company's recent expansions in facilities and capabilities will now enable Anodyne to enter many new markets for decorative aluminum in automotive, packaging, appliance, architectural and consumer durable fields.

Earnings fell, Turney said, primarily because of expenditures for the company's new equipment, such as a continuous coil anodizing line — all part of Anodyne's multi-million dollar expansion program — and because of high



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The Miami auto-trim company bought by ex-Gov. Claude Kirk last year has lost its medical insurance because of nonpayment of premiums, a spokesman for the insurer says. A representative of Equitable Life Assurance Society said the insurance for Anodyne Corp. was canceled in February. Kirk bought the company out of bankruptcy last year but announced in April it would be closed, with an auction of equipment scheduled for June 14. Mary Murray, a 15-year employee, said Kirk had promised to pay the insurance and "pay us for our vacation time and help us find jobs. The next day he was off to Paris and we have not seen him since."

**Florida Interest**

ANODYNE INC., the one-time aluminum-stamping company headed by former governor and announced gubernatorial candidate Claude Kirk, will hold an auction sale of its assets on June 14 at its plant at 1270 NW 165th St. The company closed its doors in late April, leaving Kirk and his business partner with \$500,000 in unpaid company loans. Kirk said Tuesday that proceeds from the auction sale should be enough to pay all creditors. He said the company probably will continue to exist, engaging in different ventures. Kirk said he expects to complain to the Federal Trade Commission that unusual price-cutting by a major competitor forced Anodyne out of business.

**Bank Sues Firm**

Southeast First National Bank of Miami, acting as trustee for one of its trust accounts, has filed suit in Dade Circuit Court claiming that the Anodyne Corp. — a Miami firm headed by former Florida Gov. Claude Kirk — is \$27,228.68, or two months behind in its rent on its manufacturing plant in the Sunshine Industrial Park in North Dade.

Anodyne makes decorative trim for cars and corporate name plates. No date has been set for a hearing on the complaint.

**Anodyne Sued By Ex-Employee**

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A former employee of the now-defunct Anodyne Corp. filed a \$50,000 damage suit against the company Tuesday, claiming it defrauded workers of their group insurance payments.

Raul Rodriguez said the company's failure to keep employees' group insurance in force was discovered two months after Anodyne usually stopped making payments to the Equitable Life Assurance Society.

In the meantime Rodriguez said, another employee continued to pay premiums from February, but the policy was canceled, although none of the money was going to the insurance company.

The company was headed by ex-Gov. Kirk, the former Florida governor and currently an independent candidate for the post in all elections.

Rodriguez said he didn't know policy had been allowed to lapse March when his wife, Maria, was hospitalized and billed for \$10,000.

According to the suit, the company had failed to pay the old policy.

by himself and he had gone through Anodyne's founder, Eugene T. Turney Jr., and he had gone through the company's financial records. Besides that, there was no division of responsibility. Eugene T. Turney Jr. was not with the company until the end of 1977. He was not with the company until the end of 1977. He was not with the company until the end of 1977.

**Go-getter Tarrantino has a challenger**

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That propelled Tarrantino out of poverty in Jersey City, where he began working for General Foods in 1975, Tarrantino's 42, a successful hard-driving executive, was just taken on his biggest challenge — to transform a grossly profitable company into a loss of \$125,000 for the year ended Oct. 31 (latest figures available).

As part of his changes, Tarrantino switched the fiscal year to end March 31. Whatever the dates, Anodyne will have a big loss for the year.

But after that, he predicts, things will be different. In fact, he hopes to be a profitable firm by the end of 1978.

Cal years ended in March 1975, Anodyne had a loss of \$125,000. On had a net loss of \$125,000. On had a net loss of \$125,000.



EUGENE T. TURNEY JR.

**Anodyne Gets Avon Order**

Anodyne Inc., Miami's manufacturer of colorful nameplates, reported today that Avon, world's largest cosmetics manufacturer, has placed a "major order with it."

While declining to put a dollar figure on the order, President Eugene T. Turney Jr. said the firm "will produce several million pieces per month during program estimated to run at least five years."

To handle the Avon order, Turney said Anodyne bought \$100,000 in new equipment and, coupled with an extensive tooling program, will be several months ahead of its next month to turn out its Avon as well as its other customers.

"We have produced a product for Avon leading to a whole new approach to gift and decorative containers," said Turney. "We've fashioned an exclusive partner for a new of cosmetics that Avon market."

That's the kind of confidence Eugene T. Turney Jr. has in his company's present revenue. He estimates it at \$100 million annually. He estimates it at \$100 million annually.



# Anodyne Le Insurance Plan Lapse, Kirk Employees Say

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Raul Rodriguez sweated over an aluminum punch press for three years, paying \$12.99 a week for medical insurance.

But when a hospital charged his wife, Maria, \$1,370 to treat a spleen ailment, Rodriguez found that his employer had let his insurance expire. His coworkers had their claims returned, too.

Their boss was Claude Kirk, the former Florida governor who is campaigning — between high-flying financial deals for Arab investors — to get his old job back.

**KIRK BOUGHT** the troubled An-

odyne Corp. out of bankruptcy last year and promised to revive it. He conceded defeat April 5, telling 62 workers that the automobile-trim plant would close May 1.

"He gave a speech and promised he would make up the insurance money, pay us for our vacation time and help us find jobs. He said he had connections with the airlines and several other big firms," Mary Murray, a 15-year employee, said Saturday.

"The next day he was off to Paris, and we haven't been able to find him since," Murray said. "We all had a lot of confidence in him when he bought the plant, but he's really done a number on these people."

Kirk disputed the complaints. "That is not true," he said. "A being paid. The insurance company is honoring the policy." Kirk said his lender, Congress Financial Corp., was paying the insurance company.

**SPOKESMEN** for the insurance company, Equitable Life Assurance Society, disputed Kirk. So did Congress Financial and Kirk's own former plant manager.

Equitable said Anodyne's pol  
was canceled in February for n  
payment.

Anodyne kept deducting insurance payments from employees' paychecks until the plant closed, because those paychecks were mailed U.S. postal inspectors are investigating the possibility of mail fraud.

Congress Financial Vice President Sheldon Conover said Anodyne still owes money to his company.

"We're in no position to pay a

"Temporarily, what they are saying is so," Dixon said. "With Adydyne being in the process of liquidation, the company hasn't had money."

**KIRK ANNOUNCED** last month that he had sold Anodyne to a Firestone subsidiary, but Firestone denied it.

Now Anodyne has scheduled auction of its equipment for Ju

"Probably after that we'll be a to pay the insurance and the vacation," Dixon said. "As far as promises in speeches, you'll have to talk to Kirk about that . . . I'm looking for a job myself."

The acquisition is approved by directors of both companies and Androsne stockholders, each outstanding share of Androsne common stock would be converted to cash at \$1.25, except for shares owned by Turney Jr. Turney's shares would be converted at \$1 each, a Lamson & Sessions representative said. Approximately one million shares of Androsne common stock are outstanding, he said. Androsne is a producer of nameplates and decorative trim, with annual sales of approximately \$2 million. Lamson & Sessions, which

**Hydrene Involved in Mergers Plan**  
The London & Sessions Co. announced Tuesday its agreement to acquire Andryne Inc. of Miami through merger with a subsidiary of \$100 million. Hydrene products, with annual sales of \$100 million, are sold to restaurants and other industrial and manufacturers in Cleveland. Headquarters in Cleveland.